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The average daily circulation of the Barre Daily Times for the week ending Saturday was

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copies, the largest paid circulation of any daily paper in this section.

They do say that things political are beginning to warm up in this neck of the woods.

The weather reports say that a storm is coming. Most people will be ready to admit that the storm is already here.

A short time ago lumbermen were complaining because of lack of snow. Now they are complaining of too much snow. Verily we humans are never satisfied with our lot.

And the Supreme Court doesn't know who is state inspector of finance? To whom shall we turn for guidance in this aftermath of a petty political turmoil? The Supreme Court asks for another chance after the trouble has been further elucidated before them, and perhaps it can then tell us.

The partial destruction of a New York theatre Saturday afternoon, in which two hours later over a thousand people would have been assembled, calls up that Chicago disaster. And Chief Croker of the New York fire department declares that had the fire occurred when the large audience was in the building, nothing would have prevented a terrible catastrophe, as the exits are not what they should be. With that warning in mind, the owners will doubtless be told to remedy the defects when the building is repaired, if it is necessary to tell them.

THE MEMORY OF A GREAT AMERICAN.

Too little is known nowadays concerning the great personage in the history of this country and too little attempt is made to teach the people about them. The birthday of one of the greatest men the nation has ever produced, passed yesterday and is passing today, with scarcely any notice in this city so far as public observance is involved. From one pulpit, however, the life story of Abraham Lincoln was told, the beginning in the poorest possible conditions, the growth in mental development in spite of the adverse situation, the exercise of the will power of a giant, his gradual emerging from the densest obscurity to the light of prominence (prominence not from love of it, however), a success in law gained by strong effort, a reward of merit by his home state, then a call to the highest position in the gift of the people of the country, and the tragic end when Lincoln was laid low by the hand of a crazed partisan. So absorbing a life story and one so full of the lessons which should be taught ought to be revealed and retold at every recurrence of the anniversary of the birth of the

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man. There need be no apology from the pulpit, from the teacher's platform, from the public rostrum of any sort for the drawing out of those lessons, which, told and retold, will still have fresh truths for the young and the old. The life of Abraham Lincoln is itself a sermon, an inspiration and an example.

The anniversary of his birth, coming as it did on a Sunday, perhaps made the observance of the day less of a public nature, but in the states where the event is commemorated by legislative enactment, today is the legal holiday. There are only eight states in the union which have set the day apart; they are Connecticut, Illinois, Minnesota, New Jersey, New York, North Dakota, Pennsylvania, and Washington. Although Vermont has not seen fit to make the anniversary a legal holiday, yet the life of Lincoln can be portrayed.

JINGLES AND JESTS.

After Thinking It Over.
Philosophy in the final analysis seems to consist of convincing oneself that it is easier, on the whole, not to want things than it is to get them.—Puck.

The Dancer.
She sprinkles sand upon the stage.
Behind her and in front,
Because, you see, it takes some sand
To do so punk a stunt.
—Detroit Tribune.

The End.
Rly—Does your wife ever listen to your advice?
Sly—Yes, she listens—and that's all!
—Detroit Free Press.

Every Time.
A kindly heart than a coronet
May greater be, but still
The former won't an address get,
And the latter always will.
—(Incense) Equivocal.

Stoessel's Apology.
("Judge us with clemency," said General Stoessel in his report to the czar.)
"Judge us with clemency, O czar!
A crushed and broken garrison.
We are not many, for the scourge
Was bitter ere the fight was done,
And if we did unlovingly
Judge us with clemency.

"Judge us with clemency, O czar!
For months the skies shed molten rains;
Look in the faces of thy troops,
Pale death the blood and powder
stains.

And if our course offendeth thee
Judge us with clemency.
"Judge us with clemency, O czar!
In those days' surpassing dread
The sick and wounded mangled the guns
And worked like animated dead.
But if defeat be treachery
Judge us with clemency.

"Judge us with clemency, O czar!
We who at last surrendered when
None but the wounded could defend
Our garrison of dying men!
By those black days of agony
Judge us with clemency.

"In that baptism of fire, O czar
Our honor doubly is restored,
And like a fair won laurel wreath
I bring to thee my broken sword
Broken in action honorably—
Judge us with clemency!"
—Wallace Irwin in New York Globe.

A Dire Threat.



"Here's a letter from Mr. Smith saying he can't pay his bill this month."
"Just write him a note and say if he doesn't pay up within a month we'll quit sending him bills."—New York American.

THE DESERT
PLANT LIFEA Laboratory Near Tucson,
Ariz., for Study of Flora.

RESULT OF YEAR'S WORK

Ingenious Self Recording Instruments
Used for Determining the Various
Phases of the Activities of
Desert Plants.

Dr. W. A. Cannon, formerly in the laboratory of the New York botanical gardens and now resident investigator in charge of the Desert laboratory, near Tucson, Ariz., was in New York recently. He described the first year's work of the laboratory, which was established in 1903 to carry on special researches upon the life, history and physiology of desert plants, says the New York Post.

The site is on the north shoulder of Table mountain, about 500 feet above the town. This was also the site of the prehistoric fortified town of Tucson, where the village Indians sheltered and protected themselves from the raids of the Apaches. The village Indians, the Pappagos, are now widely scattered.

The flora of the laboratory tract is very diverse, including plants which grow on the mountain and those confined to the mesa, or plain. Many of these until recently were used by the Indians and Mexicans in the construction of their houses. Among them are the giant cactus, the ribs of which were used for the sides and roofs of dwellings, and the ocotillo, which was utilized for the same purpose. The creosote bush was used for thatching. It is probable that the village Indians obtained their building materials from the laboratory site.

As it is the aim of the laboratory to study the various phases of the activities of desert plants, with special reference to the physical conditions to which the plants are subjected, a careful record is being made of these conditions. This notes the changes in temperature, rainfall, relative humidity, state of soil and air and the brilliancy of the natural light, with their effect upon the plants. For determining these various conditions the laboratory has especially delicate and ingenious self recording instruments.

Although too short a time has elapsed to permit the drawing of sweeping conclusions, many interesting facts have been learned by this study. Of the physical factors noted the amount of water presented to the plant is the one which influences its activity the most profoundly. The existence of many types of plants, such as annuals, is directly controlled by the rainfall, and the leaving and flowering of many shrubs are controlled by the same factor. On the other hand, certain plants, like the giant cactus, are apparently independent of the annual rains, as they store up water in large quantities in their own structure. It has been found that the cactus known as the bisnaga is between 90 and 95 per cent water. The estimate is made that it would take two years' average rainfall to supply the space covered by the roots of the plant with sufficient water to equal the amount stored up in the plant itself. Nature, it is explained, has provided that the plant shall absorb enough water in wet years to carry it through dry seasons.

It has been found that the transpiration or evaporation of water of some of the plants is reduced in seasons of drought to almost nothing, but when the rains return the transpiration of the desert plants equals and sometimes exceeds the rate of that of plants in most regions. Transpiration, said Dr. Cannon, is an index of the activities of all plants, and when the desert forms have abundance of water growth is quickened. They respond more promptly to the influence of moisture than plants in a moist climate, because they have so little time in which to do it.

In the region of the laboratory there are two seasons of rain—the summer and the winter. It is in response to the summer rains, when the temperature is high, that vegetable activity is greater. At this time the desert is covered with a wonderful growth of plants, both annuals and perennials, and presents the appearance of spring in more moist climates. The flowers, many of them, are large, striking and of great beauty. In many places they grow in such masses that they can be seen for thirty miles from elevations, this being particularly true of the Mariposa lily and California poppy. After the rains have passed the annual vegetation dies within a few days, the leaves of many of the shrubs and perennials dry up and fall off, and the country presents the typical desert condition.

The study of plants is carried on while they are in their natural conditions out of doors, and the climate permits this study to be continued all the year round. The desert plants in their outdoor conditions are to be compared with seedlings to be grown under known conditions in a greenhouse now in course of construction at the laboratory.

Snake's Big Meal.

A number of coolies working in the Gaya district, India, saw a huge snake fourteen feet long come out of a thicket, seize a sheep out of a dock which was grazing and devour it.

MAJOR BROWNELL HURT.

Burlington Man Had a Leg Broken in
Two Places While Ice Boating.

Burlington, Feb. 12.—The first ice boat accident of the season occurred yesterday, when Maj. C. M. Brownell was thrown from the Excelsior and had his left leg broken in two places. Major Brownell, in company with Capt. H. D. Smithers, Capt. G. W. Kirkpatrick, Lieut. W. C. Gardenhire of Fort Ethan Allen, W. B. Caven and L. W. Drew of Burlington were on their way to Plattsburg. The wind was blowing a gale and when about three miles this side of Port Kent a sudden gust struck the yacht, causing it to veer quickly. Major Brownell was sitting upright and when the boat turned he was thrown violently to the ice.

The fractures are unusually severe and it will be several weeks before Major Brownell will be able to be out.

GREASON EXONERATED.

Kate Edwards' Confession Names Her
Daughter as Accomplice.

Harrisburg, Pa., Feb. 12.—Mrs. Kate Edwards, murderer of her husband, today filed in supreme court a petition for a new trial for Samuel Greason, her negro lover and alleged accomplice. In her confession she completely exonerates Greason and names her daughter, Mary, as her accomplice. The supreme court will announce its decision later. It is expected that Greason will be granted a new trial and that Mrs. Edwards will be respited in order that she may appear as a witness.

POLICE LOOKED ON.

While Drunken Mob Attacked and
Wounded Hundreds of Jews.

Berlin, Feb. 12.—Prominent Jews have received news of an anti-Semitic riot at Gomel, Russia. A thousand drunken peasants attacked three hundred Jews, flogging and maltreating them. They dangerously wounded 100 Jews and slightly wounded 200 others. The synagogue at Gomel was demolished by the mob.

The police were passive spectators of the riot.

CHILDREN ATE STRYCHNINE.

One of Them is Dead and Another is
Paralyzed.

Bemington, Feb. 12.—As a result of eating strychnine tablets mistaken for candy yesterday, Leslie Elwell, three years old, is dead and a seven-year-old brother, Calvin, is in a critical condition with his limbs paralyzed. Physicians say that he will be a cripple if he survives. The children found the tablets which their father, L. W. Elwell, had in the house as medicine.

SMALL INVESTORS HIT.

Failure of Coutourv Weaving Company
of Loire Causes It.

Paris, Feb. 12.—Announcement of the failure of the Coutourv Weaving Co. of Loire was made this morning. Liabilities are placed at three and three-quarters millions francs. The failure has caused widespread injury among small investors.

Successful Norwich University Hop.

Northfield, Feb. 12.—The junior hop at Norwich University on Saturday night proved to be one of the most enjoyable affairs of the season. The committee on arrangements, Cadet-Lieuts. Hovey, Gilman, Betterly and Private Sweett, had their endeavors realized in making this a success. Wilder's orchestra of six pieces from Montpelier furnished music. Their 19 dance orders were carried out in full.

Editor Died of Brain Hemorrhage.

Binghamton, N. Y., Feb. 12.—James L. Bronson, editor-in-chief of the Binghamton Press, died this morning of hemorrhage of the brain.

SOUTH RYEGATE.

Mrs. O. H. Renfrew was thrown out of a sleigh some two weeks ago and at the time of the accident no one thought she was injured, but it has turned out to be a serious matter. She injured the ligaments of both knees and has not been able to walk since.

Horace Brown, who lives in the Lime Kiln district in Newbury, had a narrow escape from being killed last week Friday. As he was about to grain one of his horses, the animal struck him and knocked him down in the stall, using him up generally, breaking one or two ribs and some blood vessels. He will have quite a vacation as a result, and he may feel very fortunate to get out of it as he did. The horse is one that Mr. Brown purchased about a year ago and he has about decided that the animal is boss.

WEST TOPSHAM.

Frank Spaulding was in Barre one day last week.

Franklin Philbrick is very sick with stomach trouble.

Willas Church was home from Bradford over Sunday.

Mrs. Frank Snow of Barre is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Thornton.

Mrs. David Abair is quite sick. Dr. McArthur was in consultation with Dr. Dow last week.

Miss Edith Cunningham closed a very successful term of school here Saturday and returned to her home in Bradford Sunday.

Turkish Women's Fortunes.

Turkish women do not come into control of their private fortunes until after marriage. After that they can dispose of one-third of it without the husband's consent.

The Head Hunters.

The head hunters of the great island of Borneo are so given to the practice that so far nothing has been able to make them give it up, and village tribes make war on each other for the purpose of getting heads with which to decorate their houses.

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Other Loans	Surplus Fund
291,346 98	8,000 00
Bonds and Investments	Undivided Profits
238,414 79	10,348 36
U.S. 2 per cent Bonds at par	Deposits
28,400 00	1,176,918 06
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\$1,245,118 03	\$1,245,118 06

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